

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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VENEGAS, JR.

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-referenced application as follows: